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If the employees of the glass works at Elwood and Kokomo, Ind., do not accept piece work instead of daily wages the plants will be closed.

Miss Lelia Herbert, daughter of former Secretary of the Navy Herbert, of Alabama, committed suicide at Washington by leaping from a third-story window.

Catlettsburg should be more interested than any other town in getting a slackwater system for Big Sandy, yet they have not done one thing towards securing an appropriation.

Secretary Alger estimates that 3,000,000 pounds of food supplies will be needed for the relief of the miners in the Yukon country, and the transportation problem is a serious one.

In sending out commissions to newly elected Justices of the Peace it has been discovered at Frankfort that there are fourteen magistrates in many counties named Alexander Whitaker.

Some time ago John Hunter was arrested and lodged in jail at this place charged with aiding Tom Halbert in killing C. H. Wallen at Alphonso, this county. Tuesday night Hunter saw the iron bars over the jail window and made his escape. No trace of him has yet been seen.—Prestonsburg News.

Judge Shackelford Miller holds that under the statute on debt a man can not be imprisoned to pay costs unless the verdict expressly so stipulates. Further he holds that imprisonment in such a case, where the costs are due to individuals, is in the nature of imprisonment for debt, and contrary to the Bill of Rights in the Constitution.

A straight tip from the White House says the President will issue an order about the first of the year which will remove from the classified civil service about 50,000 offices and toss them to the ravenous pack of Republican place-hunters. It is possible that storekeepers and gaugers, as well as deputy collectors of internal revenue, will be included in the number of offices to be thrown open.—C. J.

WEBBVILLE.

H. Fischer and family left Monday for Cleveland, Ohio, to remain until after Christmas. Miss Emma Grubb, of Blaine, is visiting Miss Sady Woods. H. Haves was seen wending his way along our muddy streets Sunday morning. The prospects for a Normal school here, which were so flattering a few days since, have all fallen through, and instead of a large school of advanced scholars and teachers from a distance, as all of us so fondly hoped, we will, as usual, have a school of only a few pupils in this district. The reason is that the church and Eagle Hall, that were promised to Messrs. Walter and Thompson, could not be secured on any reasonable terms. The church people, it seems, want a sack, without giving any reason. And the

A CLEAR HEAD;

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An absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, malaria, sour stomach, dizziness, constipation bilious fever, piles, torpid liver and all kindred diseases.

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bond for security of the Hall property was so high that the teachers could not safely undertake to teach the school. So ends the first chapter of the history of an attempt to establish a high school in Webbville. Married on the 17th inst., John Thompson to Miss Ida Berry. Our best wishes follow.

SON'S NO. DE PLUME.

THE SURPRISE OF ALL

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Camden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cordova and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into a very serious case. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and seeing lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all, she began to get better from the first dose, and had a dozen dollar bottles cured her and her family. Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs, and colds, is guaranteed to do this work. Try it. Free trial bottles at A. M. Hughes drug store.

PAINTSVILLE.

Our school closed Saturday with a treat and several speeches. There were about 200 pupils present and several of the citizens.

Miss Carrie Stafford gave a recitation which proved her to be quite gifted in elocution; in fact it could not have been excelled by professional elocutionists of the larger cities.

Addresses were also made by Messrs. B. H. Conley, F. P. Conley, T. S. Kirk, Tommy Williams, Isaac Rice, Sam Stapleton, G. B. Stapleton and J. G. Talbert.

Saturday afternoon many of our young folks went to Prestonsburg where they assisted in an entertainment for raising money to defray the expenses of the M. E. churches of Prestonsburg and Paintsville. We understand that the entertainment was a success.

The two Methodist churches and the Christian church are preparing to have Christmas trees. A nice time is expected.

The Paintsville Dramatic Club are preparing to entertain us New Year's eve.

Born, to the wife of Rev. H. K. Moore, of the M. E. Church South, twin sons.

Brother Moore is a Lawrence county man, a brother of the ex-County Superintendent, Thomas Moore, and a former teacher of your county. He is an eloquent young divine. But few, if any, of the ministers of Eastern Kentucky can entertain an audience so admirably as he. He will no doubt rise to eminence in his profession, if he continues to study and work so faithfully as the Master's vineyard.

Services will be conducted at the M. E. Church Christmas day by Rev. Young, the pastor.

SCRIBBLER.

FREE PILLS.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are a very action and are particularly effective in the cure of constipation and liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. The do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels, greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25¢ per box. Sold by A. M. Hughes, druggist.

Resolutions of Respect.

At a regular meeting of Peach Orchard Lodge, No. 280, I. O. O. F., the following resolutions were adopted: WHEREAS it has pleased the Allwise Father to remove from our midst our beloved brother Henry T. Castle. Therefore be it resolved.

1st. That the Lodge lost a true and faithful Odd Fellow, the community a good citizen, his family a kind parent and a loving husband.

2nd. That the surviving brothers wear the usual badge of mourning for a period of thirty days, and that our Hall be decorated in like manner.

3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this Lodge, a copy sent to the bereaved widow and a copy sent to the BIG SANDY NEWS for publication.

Respectfully submitted in F. L. & T. HUGH BOYD,
JNO. McGRANAHAN Com.
A. T. TALBERT.

At this time of year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.—Oulagah, Ind. Ter. Chief.

This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and grippe we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by A. M. Hughes.

WALLBRIDGE.

A Deputy U. S. Marshal came here last week and arrested James Fraley, a boy who was staying with Drew Thompson, for selling whis-

key some where near the "Red Onion" below Louisville.

John Ratcliff, of Johnson county, was here recently visiting his brother Richard.

Chas. B. Peters, of Maynards Branch, was around assessing the people a few days ago.

F. C. McClure's school closed on Friday, Dec. 10th, and Chas. Chaffin's and Frank Dobbin's on the 11th.

Mrs. Frank Maynard, of Big Blaine, was visiting friends and relatives here recently.

Samuel Hardy and Miss Georgia Dean were married last week at Louisville.

Burwell Cox, who has been at White House all summer and fall, has returned to this place.

Married on last Thursday, at the bride's father, Miss Mollie Cartmel to Mr. Harve Shannon. Mollie is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cartmel. She is a deserving young lady while Mr. Shannon is a promising young man. All wish them a long and happy life.

Misses Mollie and Dock See, of Lick creek, were visiting here Saturday and Sunday.

G. L. Burke and wife, of High Knob, were visiting Mrs. M. E. See Sunday.

J. B. and U. L. See will start for Williamson and Thacker in a few days.

We understand that some "Regulators" visited this community a few nights ago.

Uncle Dock Miller visited our place Sunday.

I. W. Dawson is talking of visiting Catlettsburg and Ashland this week and will probably spend his Xmas there.

J. G. Sammons now has his large boiler in operation.

Mack Canady is in the hoop pole business.

Porter Hensley is mining coal for J. G. Sammons.

William Meek, of Lick creek, was visiting here Saturday and Sunday.

We believe some one could do a good business with peanuts in our place from the amount eaten at church Saturday night by the young people. The people of God go to church to feast on the love of God while it seems the sinners feast on peanuts.

W. D. and J. N. Peters, of Wayne county, W. Va., were visiting their aged father Sunday week.

IKES SON.

BUCKLENS ARNICA SALVE. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. M. Hughes, Louisville, Ky.

CHARLEY.

Married on the 17th inst., High Dixton to Miss Amanda Daniel. We extend congratulations. Robt. Meade and Stant Miller made a flying trip to Thacker and back last week. T. G. Austin has returned from Covington, there being no case against him whatever.

Role Spencer, who has been in Ohio for the past two months, has returned to his home. D. B. Meade and John J. Griffiths made a business trip to Blaine last Saturday.

H. C. Sullivan, of Louisville, was here last Saturday. James Wallace is preparing to give up a new residence on Plum street.

Borders Meade has been hauling lumber to erect an addition to his residence. Our town is improving rapidly. Haws Moore, on returning from W. M. Chapman's, where he had been to see his best girl, fell over a bank about 10 feet high.

Robert Traffic recently received a telephone message from Lexington announcing the death of his son Oliver Traffic, who had been in the Asylum about 18 months. Henry Preston, of Louisville, was seen on our streets last week. E. L. Moore was in Louisville last week. EXCELSIOR.

After hearing some friends continually praising Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis Fleck, of Anaheim, Cal., purchased a bottle of it for his own use and is now as enthusiastic over its work as anyone can be. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by A. M. Hughes.

Marshall's Sale for Taxes.

On Monday, January 3rd, 1898, about one o'clock p. m., I will offer for sale for Cash in hand the following property, situated in Louisville, Ky., for taxes against it.

J. F. Kendrick, town lot, tax and cost, \$5 50

America Marcum, town lot, tax and cost, \$3 70

Ransom Marcum, town lot, tax and cost, \$7 10

Dan. Pigg, town lot, tax and cost, \$3 50

Jno. Rice, Jr., town lot, tax and cost, \$4 90

A. J. Conley, land in lower Louisville, tax and cost, \$8 50

Wm. H. Copley, town lot, tax and cost, 2 90

Mrs. J. B. Dixon, five acres of land adjoining Elsie Mae, Co., tax and cost, 4 70

W. T. Evans, town lot No. 2, tax and cost, 24 90

H. C. SAMMONS, M. C. of L.

BETTER than cure is prevention.

By taking Hood's Sarsaparilla you may keep well, with pure blood, strong nerves and a good APPETITE.

LOUISA MARKETS.

Following are the cash prices prevailing in Louisville at the time of going to press (Thursday evening) 14¢ cash for eggs.

Hens 40. Ducks, 55¢. Young chickens 4¢ pound. Old Roosters 12¢ each. Turkeys 6¢.

CANEY FORK.

Our school will close December 24. Bramar Gap school will close on Dec. 23.

J. H. Jones, Jr., was in Webbville Saturday transacting important business.

A. Hicks, of this place, is visiting friends and relatives on Twin Branch.

Misses Laura Perkins and Mollie Justice are calling on the family of James Justice.

Wiley Webb, of Caney fork, is about to complete his dwelling, which adds much to his property. Wm. Justice is becoming known as the famous horse trader in this section of the county.

John Hughes, of Twin Branch, was in Webbville last week.

Misses Josie, Minnie and Nora Jobe, three of Dorefield's charming young ladies, attended the entertainment at Needmore last week.

Sam Jobe, of Dorefield, was parading our streets the other day, in search of a No. 2 good time.

John Perkins, police of Centreville, Ky., has been visiting our school for a few days.

S. J. Hicks, our music teacher, is out in Elliott county teaching. He will be at home during holidays.

G. H. Hutchinson and family, of Deaton, have been visiting relatives here for a few days.

C. C. Miles has taken a lease from N. Fischer and is building a dwelling on the land near little Rich Knob. E. M. and Levi Webb were here to-day.

T. N. Thompson, our boy rabbit hunter, is said to be the best in the country, of his age, size and appearance. News says if he can't shoot 'em he runs 'em down.

Handing ties is the go now with teamsters. ROSENKRANZ.

Don't be persuaded into buying liniments without reputation or merit—Chamberlain's Pain Balm costs no more, and its merits have been proven by a test of many years such letters as the following from L. G. Bagley, Huene, Cal., are constantly being received: "The best remedy for pain I have ever used is Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and I say so after having used it in my family for several years." It cures rheumatism, lame back, sprains and swellings. For sale by A. M. Hughes.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Chamberlain's Candy Cathartic, or the C. C. C. to cure, druggists refund money.

DEREFIELD.

Revs. Isaacs and Copley have been holding a series of meetings at Lower Twins, but have quit until after Xmas.

Covey Adams has removed his store from Madge to his home which is under the management of his son-in-law, Andy Webb Jr.

Miss Stella Prince, of Irad, who is noted for her beauty and many graces, was on our creek Sunday.

Doc Jordan, who is an all around self-made man, has left our creek and is stopping at the hospitable home of Wm. Shannon.

Sam Jobe has located for some time on Morgan creek near Colby Sparks.

John Jordan, the noted banjoist of Fallsburg, was calling on friends here recently.

John Hicks, a very popular teacher of our county, says he is tired of his solitary oneness, and after Jan. 1st will be in possession of a blushing blooming bride.

Dick Jobe has succumbed to Cupid's dart and is now a benedict.

John Hughes, after his perilous ride some weeks ago, is able to be out again.

Born recently, to Andy Woods and wife, a fine girl.

Misses Dove and Rose Shannon, of Irad, whose bewitching smiles always penetrate the hearts of our young men, attended church here last Sunday.

Bob Perkins, better known as the "Great American wind jammer," passed through here last week enroute to Fallsburg.

Xmas is almost here and we nightly hear the plunkety plunk of the banjo and the trip of the light fantastic.

J. M. Dalton, who is a very successful teacher, on last Saturday, shouldered his gun and went in search of game. After roaming the woods until after the sun had hid his face behind the western hills he started homeward and struck up "yankee doodle" at a lively pace, when all of a sudden a man sprang from a huge tree and shouted: "Hands up." John stopped and thought a moment, game in the bag, wife and baby at home and then he ran for dear life. Who the would-be robber is is not known. John looks a year older since his scare. KLONDIKER.

BE SURE you get what you want when you ask for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Unequalled in Merit, Sales, Cures. There's no substitute for HOOD'S.

NOTICE.

All administrators, executors, and guardians, who have not made settlements with the Court, as the law prescribes, every two years, are requested and ordered to come in at once and make such settlement. I have appointed Robert Dixon Special Commissioner to make settlements, and he will be found at the County Court Clerk's office at any time.

If this request is not complied with, I will take a rule against each one, to show cause why they have not made such settlement.

W. H. Woods, Judge, L. C. C.

Headache

Is often a warning that the liver is torpid or inactive. For a prompt, efficient cure, use

Hood's Pills

Which purify the liver and restore full regular action of the bowels; do not gripe. 25¢.

A PLAGUE.

To Be Visited Upon the South in the Form of Mormons.

The Louisville Times of a recent issue contained the following:

Another "inspired prophet" has arisen in the person of President Kimball, the leading spirit of the Southern Mormon propaganda.

Once more have the traditional Urin and Thimmin been resurrected, and this time not an unknown language, but the vista of an unknown future has opened to the prophet's vision. He sees a rainbow in the Southland, the promise of a fulfillment, and has surrounded himself with not a few followers of similar inspiration.

The plan for missionary work consists in the placing of at least one Mormon missionary in each county of the Southern States, these to make converts for the Mormon reservation, one of which is to be in each particular State, where filling of the soil and other business would be carried on under the title system, until in the course of time, the reservation has grown in numbers and financial strength for its own maintenance.

Somewhere in the future—there is no limit—it is fondly hoped by the prophets that Mormonism will conquer the earth; that it will overshadow all other beliefs, until one vast dynasty is formed.

It is a dream, the like of which young Joseph Smith probably saw in nebulous form as he read the unknown language of prophecy from the sacred books, with the aid of the silver plates, and dictated the "Book of Mormon" before returning the strange writings of the Angel Gabriel.

It was such a dream that led the apostle, Brigham Young, to leave behind him forever the scenes of violence at Nauvoo, Ill., when, in 1844, with 1,000 families of the faithful, he departed in search of a promised land. But the city by the great salt lake became too narrow in its confines for the people, uneducated and un-Christianized, credulous in the extreme, with a susceptibility for the vague, will be quick to grasp the doctrines of Mormonism. They will find something appealing in the "inspiration that never ceases," of the rising up of inspired prophets, whose utterances are as the words of an Almighty King, whom they must who year after year overflowed into the outlying precincts until of the 300,000 Mormons, approximately, there are now not more than 150,000 in Utah. Settlements have long been established in Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, Arizona, Mexico and British America, and now after many years their missionaries have returned in small companies, hoping to rebuild upon the scenes of their former woes.

Illinois has its full quota of Mormon missionaries. Missouri is also to be converted, despite the early fate of believers in Mormon doctrine in that State. The mountains of Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee are filled with them. Here, in fact, is where they hope to do their best missionary work.

The mountain people, as a rule obey in all things. The title system—a kind of Christian socialism—will doubtless link itself to them.

Recently the Mormons purchased a tract of 30,000 acres just outside of Catlettsburg, along the banks of the Big Sandy river, and there they are establishing a Mormon reservation for the mountain folk. Over 200 Mormon missionaries are now in the mountains of Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee, and a requisition has been made on the authorities at Salt Lake City for 200 more.

Dr. I. D. Witherspoon, the head of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, is somewhat familiar with the work the Mormons are doing in the mountains. Said he: "There is no question but what there has been a revival of Mormonism, and an especial putting forth of energies to capture the mountain people. They

are not always understood.

A fact often overlooked, or not always understood, is that women suffer as much from bladder and kidney trouble as the men. The woman is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any disorder, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort.

The error is easily made and may be easily avoided by setting urine aside for 24 hours; a sediment or settling is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need doctoring. If you have pain or dull aching in the back, pass water too frequently or scanty supply, with smarting or burning—these are also convincing proofs of kidney trouble. If you have doctored without benefit try Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy. The mild and extraordinary effect will surprise you. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures. If you take a medicine take the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention Big Sandy News and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

ORDERS AT FACE VALUE.

GOODS AT CASH PRICES.

County orders for 1897 and 1898 will be taken in exchange for goods at G. W. Gunnell's.

have a large number of missionaries at work in the mountains now, and I am informed that the number is soon to be increased. The money to start the Mormon reservation is supposed to come from Salt Lake city, and the title system, which has prevailed among this peculiar people, is in vogue in all these settlements or reservations. Mormon literature is distributed freely, and the doctrines as such as will undoubtedly attract many of the mountain folk.

"Do you think they will attempt to practice polygamy?" he was asked.

"In the South? No I do not think so. It would create an uprising against them at this time. I do not doubt however, that in event they were to obtain a sufficient following they would practice it. They argue that it is perfectly moral to do so. It is claimed that there are more women in the world than there are husbands for them, and that if men able to do so were to take one, two, three or four wives, it would improve the moral condition of the country. Of course we know this is all radically wrong, that the facts will not bear out this theory. Southern people are not particularly enamored of the idea of a backyard full of clothes lines a home for the innocents of each household or a shoe store for each family. They believe in one country, one flag and one wife at a time. But despite these views adverse to Mormon practices, I understand that twenty-three missionaries of the faith have recently gone to work in the vicinity of Chattanooga."

The statement as to the purchase of the tract of land near Catlettsburg is doubtless an error. Also the estimate on the mountain people will not by any means hold good as a rule.

Mormons believe as firmly as ever that polygamy is moral and right, and the only reason the practice was stopped is because the laws of the United States prohibit it.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED. There is only one way to cure deafness and that is by constitutional remedies. When the true gets inflamed you can have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the true restored to its normal condition hearing will be destroyed for ever nine out of ten are caused by earwax which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for a case of deafness that cannot be cured by Halls Catarrh Cure, Send for circulars FREE.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists. 75¢. Halls Family Pills are the best.

BUSSEYVILLE.

J. A. Moffett is in Maysville O. at present on business.

Daniel and Ellen Wellman are thinking of going to Colorado soon.

Miss Lula Hall paid a brief visit to relatives here last week.

Joseph O'Neal and a few others went fox hunting last week.

Miss Inez Pigg and Master Cecil Moffett contemplate going to W. Va. to spend their Xmas.

F. R. Bussey has his new storehouse completed and goods moved into same and is accommodating many customers.

Quite a number of our people attended the services at Smokey Valley conducted by Rev. Davenport last Sunday.

We are expecting a Christmas tree and a good time here Xmas.

Mrs. Matilda Meek is very sick at this writing.

Misses Rose Thompson and Lizzie O'Neal were in Louisville Thursday.

Jay Roberts and wife have moved into property belonging to Fred Pickle at this place.

Amos Meek is visiting grand-parents near Louisville.

GREEN GIRL.

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Specialists in the Treatment of Nervous, Blood, Sexual and Private Diseases

17 Years in Ohio. 200,000

MOTHER! There is no word so full of meaning as that which such tender and affectionate cluster as that of "Mother."—she who watched our helpless infancy and guided our first tottering step. Yet life of every Expectant Mother is beset with danger and all efforts should be made to avoid it, so assists nature in the change taking place that the Expectant Mother is enabled to look forward without dread, suffering or gloomy forebodings, to the hour when she experiences the joy of Motherhood. Its use insures safety to the lives of both Mother and Child, and she is found stronger after than before confinement—in short, it "makes Childbirth natural and easy," as so many have said. Don't be persuaded to use anything but

MOTHER'S FRIEND

"My wife suffered more in ten minutes with either of her other two children than she did altogether with her last, having previously used four bottles of 'Mother's Friend.' It is a blessing to any one expecting to become a MOTHER," says a customer, HENDERSON DALL, Carmi, Illinois.

Of Druggists at \$1.00, or sent by express on receipt of price. Write for book containing testimonials and valuable information for all Mothers. Free. The Bradford-Regulator Co., Atlanta, Ga.

BIG SANDY NEWS.

FRIDAY DEC. 24, 1897.

TO BE FILLED.

Said Santa Claus on Xmas eve, In jolly, good, fat glee: "To judge by all these stockings here They've turned the hose on me!"—Up-to-date.

MONOTONY.

Soon comes that New Year's exercise, And, what seems sadly queer, The faults from which he will swear off Are the same he named last year. —Washington Star.

RELATIONSHIP.

[Atlanta Constitution.] Dey's one 'ling 'bout dis Santy Claus, I try'n' fer ter figger; He in de chimney place so much He black ez any nigger. He got de ugger on de book Ez sho' ez all creation; He look so lak de nigger look He mus' be sum relashun. Den, hang yo' stockin's, it'll boy (Dem ones what red on blue is), En Santy Claus'll give you joy—He dese ez black ez you is!

See Conley's holiday ad.

See Snyder's line of lamps.

Pickles sets a dozen at Chambers.

Fresh grapes at Sullivan & Kise.

Fire Proof oil at 10 cts at Chambers.

Again the gobbler gets it in the neck.

Car load fresh salt at Sullivan & Kise.

All kinds of fresh candles at Sullivan & Kise.

Fresh nuts of all kinds at Sullivan & Kise.

Fresh Oysters this week at Sullivan & Kise.

Born, Dec. 16, to Andrew Caines and wife, a girl.

Solid gold rings for babies and children, 25c at Conley's.

Remember Baltimore oysters at Sullivan & Kise for Xmas.

Leave order for Christmas turkeys at Sullivan & Kise.

New Pennsylvania buckwheat flour at Sullivan & Kise's.

FOR SALE OR RENT—My dwelling in Louisa. J. W. M. Stewart.

REMEMBER—We handle the old reliable Limestone Flour. Sullivan & Kise.

Grapes, bananas, apples, figs and all kinds fresh fruits at Sullivan & Kise.

When the Louisa public school closes to-day, it will be to Monday, January 3rd.

Spencer & Crutcher will take your orders for anything you need for Christmas.

Leave your orders for turkeys, oysters, celery, and fruits, at Spencer & Crutcher's.

Several young Louisa people who are engaged in other places are expected home for the holidays.

WANTED:—To buy a fresh cow about 5 years old, half or three-quarters Jersey. Apply at this office.

It is understood that Ben. Steele of Boyd county, will assist Circuit Clerk elect Riffe during the coming session of the Circuit Court.

We are almost giving away all our ladies jackets, worth 5.00 and 6.00. Choice now of all only 2.50. Don't miss this chance. A. J. Loar & Co.

Born, to John Akers and girl.

There was a light fall of snow Tuesday night.

Kid body, blague head dolls, 10c inches long, 15c at Conley's.

Two good crossings are being laid on upper Madison street.

N. D. Waldeck is home from work on the Kentucky river.

After January 1st the C. & O. will discontinue its pay train and pay by checks.

Apperson Lodge F. & A. M. will hold the annual election of officers Monday the 27th.

Miss Mattie McClure, of Gallup, was in town yesterday shopping for the holidays.

The case of Adkins vs Heaberlin, taken to the Court of Appeals from this county, was affirmed.

At Hughes you will find some beautiful lamps, fine vases, medallions, and other nice goods suitable for presents.

A sweet place. One groceryman in Louisa has in stock over two thousand pounds of candy. Ask Will Sullivan about it.

Miss Nannie Froese, who is attending school at Northampton, Mass., will spend the holidays with relatives in New York.

"Tiny Tim's" toast beautifully fits this season of Christmas cheer and the News offers it to its friends: "God bless us every one."

The Sip Bayes, enlarged, remodeled and otherwise improved, came up Tuesday, the first steamer to arrive since the close of navigation.

Big reduction in ladies fine, custom made shoes, latest style, toes coin and pointed, worth 2.50 and 2.75; choice now only 1.95. A. J. Loar & Co.

J. E. Hobbs, of East Lynn, Wayne county W. Va., died a day or two ago aged 103. An aunt living in Mayesville recently died aged 101 years.

W. S. Land, of the C. & O., was a "business" visitor in Louisa Sunday. His injured hand has entirely healed, though yet very tender. Mr. Land was accompanied by Dr. Judy, of Bath county.

If any of our readers at any time fail to receive their copy of the News we shall be pleased to send the missing number upon receipt of a postal card notifying us of the fact.

Last Monday the building occupied by Norris Bros., in Fallsburg, was sold at Commissioner's sale. The price paid was \$455.00, on nine months time, and the purchaser was Wm. Salyer.

Rev. Mr. Canfield, of the Baptist church, brought a bride to Louisa last Thursday. She was Miss Effie Richardson, of Ice Creek, Lawrence county, Ohio. They will live in Russell.

"Judge Charley Lynch, of Patton Bros., plunged into a hole near the upper end of Madison street Wednesday night and nearly broke his neck and his horse's legs. A crossing is being put in there, but no light had been placed as a warning.

Our new street crossings are the admiration and our old pavements the detestation of our citizens. Why those miserably ragged walks along the west side of Main Cross street between Hackworth's corner and the hotel, are not repaired, no man can find out. Perhaps the incoming municipal administration will take the responsibility of acting.

Anticipating a rise in the river, and desiring to make some experiments at the dam, Mr. Thomas began last Sunday to let the water out of the pool. The increase below the lock will scarcely be felt, for at this time the Ohio at Catlettsburg is more than 20 feet. This makes backwater nearly to Blaine. Mr. Thomas' proposed experiments are noted in another place.

There is a hole in Lock Avenue nearly opposite J. Q. Lackey's gate that should receive the prompt attention of the proper officials, if any such there be. The aforesaid hole is about fifteen feet in diameter, of unknown depth, and is at present filled with very wet and muddy water. If there are any cases of mysterious disappearance, this hole and the one in the pavement near Alexander Lackey's office should be promptly dragged. If the lost are not found, authority for repairing the injury may be brought to light.

Since the news schedule went into effect on this division the trains have been making very regular time and the volume of business has perceptibly increased. The time of the departure of the afternoon train from Ashland, 1:30, is too soon for Lexington passengers for this place to get here the same day. Cincinnati passengers must leave that city on the 7:45 a. m. train if they wish to get to Louisa that evening. These are slight drawbacks, however, and we are glad to have such good service on our division.

Thomas Branham, of Potlatch, was painfully injured Wednesday. He was splitting rails, and his defective vision prevented his seeing that a broken overhead limb of a tree was falling upon him. The limb was a large one, and in its descent struck Branham on the forehead, cutting it to the bone and making a gash five inches long.

The crash of broken glass at a late hour Wednesday night aroused the people living near the meat shop. Visions of burglars and dreams of earthquakes hastened them to the scene, when it was discovered that an imprisoned dog gained his liberty by dashing through a pane of glass. "Only this and nothing more."

Some weeks ago the News chronicled the reversal by the Court of Appeals the case of Bartram and others vs R. T. Burns. In the recent proceeding of the same Court it may be seen that defendant had filed a petition for a re-hearing of the case, and in this petition the reversal was set aside and case affirmed.

The sum involved is now considerable, amounting to nearly fifteen hundred dollars.

Several States are seriously agitating the revival of the whipping post as a punishment for petty larceny and wife beating. The penalty fits these crimes, and if the law could in like manner handle the boys, young and old, who unrestrained and unpunished at home, commit depredations on the stores, barns and hen roosts of our citizens, the victims would be fewer and the boys possibly saved from the gallows. A few days in the jail or lock-up is to these reprobates only a huge joke and much expense to the county. A dozen or two lashes vigorously applied where they will do most good is a whole-some remedy not easily forgotten.

Mr. Thomas, Assistant United States Engineer in charge of the improvements at this place, is not satisfied with having projected and built the highest needle dam in the world and having it in successful operation, but is continually seeking to still further improve what is already the admiration of the engineers of the country. As the needles are now placed in position it is a work of considerable time, attended by much inconvenience. They are put in one at a time, for instance, and by the time the last ones are placed in the trestle the head of water gathered is often great enough to make the work one of some difficulty. What Mr. Thomas aims to do is to contrive a plan by which all the needles can be put in place simultaneously, and with this end in view he will, as soon as he can obtain a proper stage of water, begin a series of experiments by which he hopes and believes he can reach his desired wish. His plan, briefly stated, is to have the needles placed on the dam in an upright position and engaged in a sort of bar or lever. They will rest upon a series of ladders, somewhat resembling step ladders, which will guide them in their descent into the river and against the trestles. When all is ready a turn of the bar or lever releases all the needles at once, and guided by the ladders, all fall into position. Mr. Thomas has but little doubt of the entire feasibility of the proposed plan. He also thinks that in the future dam needles will be not less than three feet in width, and that they will be placed on the lower side of the trestle.

COUNTY COURT.

Bond Executed by Several New Officers.

Monday was the last regular term day of the County Court, and a very busy day it was. It being the last County Court before January 1st, 1898, it was deemed a good time by county officers elect to give the required bonds and be otherwise qualified for taking office at the beginning of the year. The lucky candidates were there in force and the Court House fairly swarmed with embryo magistrates, constables, clerks, coroners and, as the lawyers say, et als. The regular business of the Court was subordinated to the taking of bonds, and nearly every officer-elect qualified so far as giving bonds and swearing was concerned. The bond of the sheriff is a most important one to the taxpayers of the county and here the interest was great. For the first time in the history of the county the sheriff offered as his bondsman what is known as a Bond and Guarantee Company. Bonds given by these companies are taken all over the United States, the Government itself taking them as the best possible security. Mr. John Montague, of Catlettsburg, was present as the agent of the company offering to bond Sheriff-elect Boggs, and the bond offered was, after careful deliberation, accepted. Judge Woods stated that if, after further investigation, he should find the bond not good or legal, he would require additional security. Lawyers differ as to the strict legality of the security offered. This is to be expected. Superintendent-elect Watson gave an official bond, but he will not be required to give bond for the school money until July. Two or three magistrates and a constable or two were not in to execute bond but there is no doubt that every one of them will be ready for action by Jan. 1st.

NONE BETTER ANYWHERE.

At the Louisa depot a few days ago there were two of the finest specimens of Poland China swine that we have seen since the World's Fair. They were bred by Mr. W. T. Kane, of Fallsburg. One was billed to Chas. Savage, Edwards station, Illinois, and the other to Sylvester Copley, Catlettsburg. These parties have bought them for breeding purposes, and this is the second order from one of them.

One of these pigs was 90 days old and measured 30 inches around at both the heart and the loins. The other was four months old and was proportionately larger. The contrast between these hogs and the scrub stock of this country is so striking as to attract the attention of every one—even those most ignorant in "hogology." The hams are almost twice as large as those of a scrub of the same weight, saying nothing of the difference in ages.

Mr. Kane's stock is direct from the most famous breeds of Poland China in the United States. They are direct descendants of swine that took highest awards at the World's Fair, and some of which sold for \$4,000 to \$5,200. He owns the nearest relative in Kentucky to the famous "Tucumseh."

Mr. Kane is a thorough stock man. He knows the business from the bottom up. What surprises us is that our farmers allow this stock to be shipped out of the county. They should stock their farms with this breed. If they would do so they would get double the profits they receive from the scrub stock.

Arrested For Embezzlement.

The Catlettsburg Democrat says: "The city was thrown into a wild condition at 3 o'clock this afternoon when Hoyt Custer, book-keeper at the Catlettsburg National Bank, was arrested and placed in jail by Deputy Sheriff Becker on a charge of embezzling the Bank funds."

It is stated by President John Russell, as we go to press, that his shortage amounts to \$810.

Custer has grown up with the Bank, being a poor boy and without influence when taken in.

The money has probably been used to maintain his sister and placed in his book store, which business he has been conducting for the past two years.

The Bank officials have been aware of the shortage for several days and have made a careful and thorough investigation, fixing same at the above amount. Custer has confessed it all.

The book store stock has been attached which will fully cover the shortage.

Investigation proves that, besides the \$870 secured from the Bank Custer has secured funds from various sources, running up to a total of over \$2,000.

Efforts are being made by his friends to execute bond and release him from jail, the amount being fixed at \$1,000.

It is one of the saddest affairs that has occurred in our little city for many a day.

Mrs. T. B. Layne, of Ashland, died at the home of her father, Mr. George Burgess, at George's creek, this week. She was about twenty years of age, and leaves a husband and baby.

The protracted meeting held at Garrett's Chapel, on Grassland circuit, is still in progress with 21 conversions to date.

H. B. HEWLETT.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

It again becomes necessary to take it all back about the death of Frank Phillips, of Pike county. He is as much alive as ever.

Miss Maggie Ford, of Pikeville, was married at the Burnett House, Cincinnati, last week to Major Eugene Hutchings, of Cincinnati, Ky.

The Eastern Kentucky Democrat at Greenup has changed editors again. F. M. Griffin is succeeded by J. F. Hutcheson, of Coriath.

Prof. Peter Clay, formerly of Inez, but now connected with Barbourville (W. Va.) College, wedded Miss Josie White, of Inez, Martin county, Thursday.

The town sergeant of Williamson W. Va., had a battle with some young men and the result was that an innocent citizen, K. A. Williamson, was shot in the hip.

Judge B. F. Bennett, of Greenup, is taking much pleasure in showing the samples of the supposed gold recently discovered on his lands near Bennett's Mill. A chemist is analyzing the samples.—Grayson Tribune.

Work on the Licking Valley railroad from the Mouth of Beaver to the mouth of Blackwater, will begin Jan. 1. It is said that the road will be permanent, and that an effort will be made by non-resident owners to extend the road to the Morgan county coal fields.—West Liberty Democrat.

Grayson, Ky., Dec. 20.—The prisoners in the county jail escaped this afternoon by sawing a bar in two and then digging through the brick wall. They were: Harlon White, charged with murder; Drew Taylor, charged with mayhem; Nell Coley and W. M. Arms, petit larceny. Men are now in pursuit of them.

At Beatrice Pike Co., the steam mill boiler of Mullins & Son blew up fatally injuring two of the Mullinses and killing George Honeycutt, the engineer. Parts of the debris were carried nearly 200 yards into a schoolhouse, which created a panic among the students and teachers. Two others were quite seriously injured. One will lose an eye as a result. Loss \$2,000.

By accident, Referee Langley endorsed husband and wife for different postoffices, and now that he has discovered the fact he has notified that one, it matters not which, must withdraw. The persons in question are M. F. Montgomery, appointed postmaster at Red Bush, Johnson county, and Mrs. Sarah Montgomery, appointed postmaster at Mary, Magoffin county. Mrs. Montgomery was commissioned but the commission of Mr. Montgomery is held up, pending the decision of the husband. The offices are about twenty miles apart.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Carrie Snyder has returned from a visit in Central Kentucky.

Elsworth Norris, the Huntington groceryman, was in Louisa Monday, accompanied by his brother G. W., of Fallsburg.

Dr. W. W. Fugitt, of this place, will leave for Lawrence county the latter part of this week to spend the holidays with wife and family. Prestonsburg News.

Miss Lucy Prichard went to Huntington Wednesday.

Dr. Cease made a professional trip to Flat Gap this week.

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